

# BLACKLIST DOES EXIST IN STATE

After All Other Operators Deny It Superintendent Admits the Same.

## HOUNDS IN WOODS

Trailing Men Who Fired on Lieutenant Bell's Outposts Last Night.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 26.—As far as can be ascertained thus far those who fired upon Lieutenant A. D. Bell's outpost near Keeferton last night have not been apprehended despite the fact that a squad of militia followed them into the woods after the attack. The attacking force, whoever they were, were doubtless familiar with the topography and were able to make good their escape, except that one citizen presumed to be a non-participant was injured either by the militia or by the attacking party. No details are yet available as to the identity of where he was shot.

The bloodhounds taken to the scene late last night had not been brought back nor had headquarters received any report from them this morning, due to the fact that the wires into the head of Paint creek beyond Burnwell are out of commission.

That the black list does exist in at least part of the coal fields was admitted by Superintendent Hale, of one of the Paint Creek Coaleries Company's operations. He admitted it after all other witnesses had denied the existence of such a blacklist, but contended it was not used at his mine.

On the back of the house leases is given a personal description of the miner. This record it is claimed by the miner, has been furnished not only to other operators, but also to the mine guards. If a miner has not been subsequent to the wishes of his employer notation is made on the back of this lease. When a miner leaves or is dismissed and applies at another mine his former employers are asked for the miner's record.

In the non-union sections the black list controls.

W. W. Phaupp, for a time in charge of the mine guards in Kanawha valley, denied the allegations made by Mrs. Fish and Mrs. Savilla that they had been assaulted by mine guards. He contended that the mine guards had committed no offenses, and that their mission was to protect life and property, not to assault and injure. His testimony throughout was a flat denial of every allegation made against the mine guards, and that at no time was more than thirty-seven employed. The military records show that more than that number were captured at Kayford alone when martial law was extended to Cabin creek.

## TWO PLANKS

Before the Resolutions Committee Delay Reports to the Convention.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Before the Republican state convention met today, there was no prospect of early reports on resolutions and the draft of the platform will not be completed until late in the day. Planks on direct nomination and woman's suffrage were subjects, on which the members of the committee have been unable to agree.

## DR. HATFIELD

Attends the Elkins Fair and Addresses a Big Audience.

ELKINS, Sept. 26.—A crowd estimated at 7,000 attended the thirtieth annual Randolph county fair here yesterday. There were a number of good racing events, but interest centered largely in the presence of several prominent Republican candidates. Dr. Hatfield, Republican candidate for governor, made a address to a crowd of a thousand or more, while Howard Sutherland, candidate for congressman at large, and Abe Lilly, candidate for attorney general, also spoke. Dr. Hatfield was addressed by his supporters as "Governor" on the fair grounds.

## OX ROAST

Given by Local Eagles at the Fair Grounds Bring Enjoyment to Many.

An ox roast and outing are being held at the fair grounds this afternoon by Clarksburg Aerie, No. 445, Fraternal Order of Eagles. The gates opened at 12 o'clock and the attendance is gratifying. The ox was in fine shape and the serving is being done in a most satisfactory manner. There are other refreshments in abundance all served free with the ox.

Gregory's band after playing a number of pieces in the business section of the city went to the grounds just before the feast began and it is enlivening the outing with many selections of band music.

A big ball will be given in the dining hall tonight and the outing will end at 11 o'clock.

The committee in charge of the ox roast and outing is comprised of L. C. Hart, chairman, W. E. Elwood and Homer Grapes.

## EXECUTED

Are More Than 200 Chinese Soldiers without Formality of Court Martial.

WUCHANG, China, Sept. 26.—More than 200 mutinous soldiers were summarily executed today without the formality of court martial by loyal soldiers under General Liyuan Heng, following an outbreak among soldiers encamped outside this city Tuesday.

## GLOBE TROTTER IS IN COUNTY PRISON

### TRIPLE MURDER.

WELINGTON, Kan., Sept. 26.—Otto McKinley, aged 24 years, was arrested here today charged with the murder of his father, brother and sister. Their bodies were found in a tent on the edge of the town yesterday.

## SUIT

Brought by Blue Will Affect All the Sheriffs of the State.

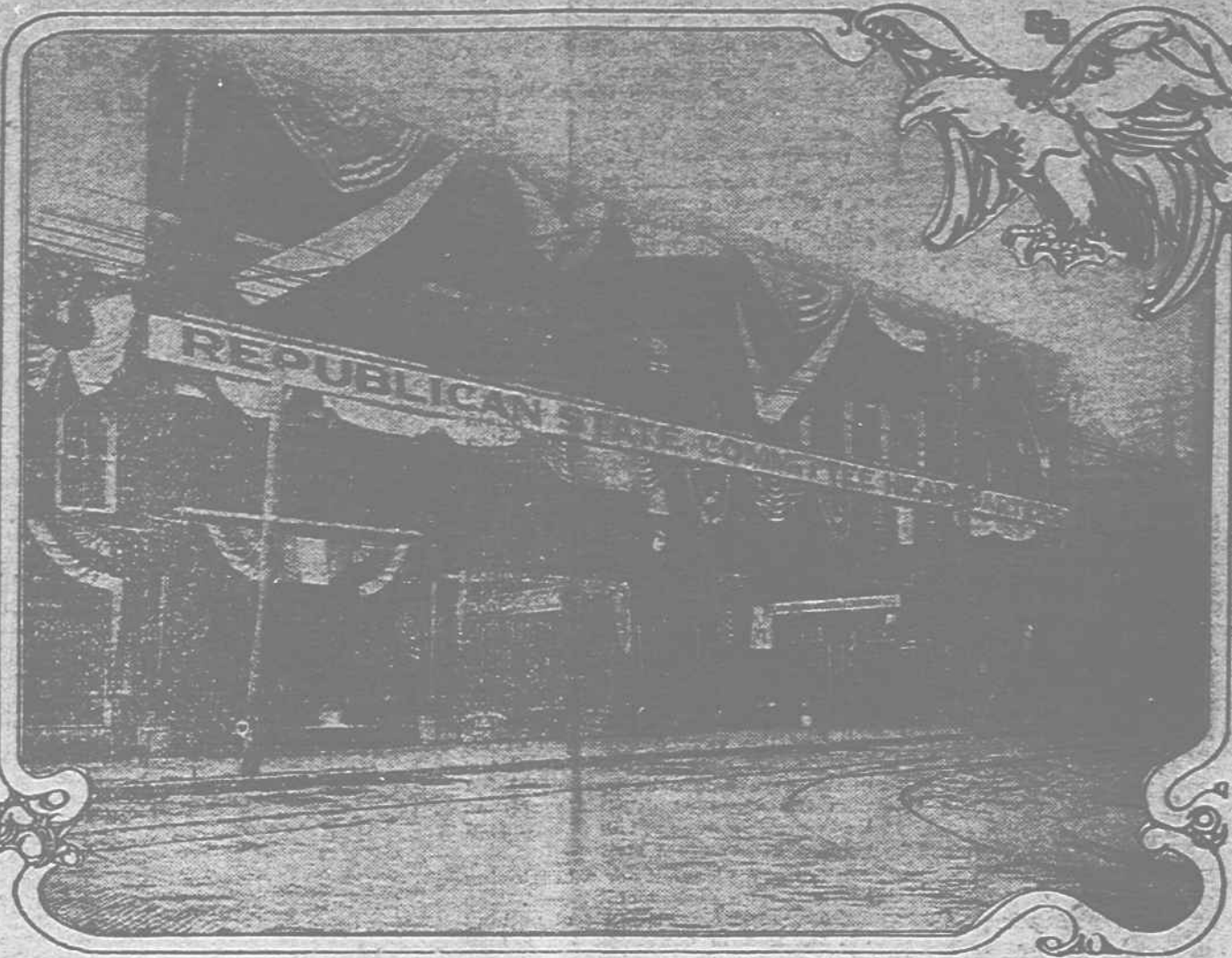
A suit that will affect the sheriffs in West Virginia was filed in the circuit court at Martinsburg, when State Tax Commissioner Fred O. Blue instituted proceedings to set aside the recent settlements of former Sheriff Gardner and Sheriff Kittering, of Berkeley county, with the county court, when both officials were relieved from the payment of certain interest charges. It is alleged that Gardner still owes \$7,000 and Kittering \$1,700, interest and discrepancies in tax commissions. Gardner and Kittering contend that these sums represent interest on money borrowed by them to meet the current expenses of the county when the county was bankrupt and the sheriffs kept its credit good by borrowing money upon their own responsibility. This view of the matter was held by the county court, a majority of whose members are of opposite political faith to both Gardner and Kittering.

It is declared by the defendants that many counties would become bankrupt because their executives would not dare use personal credit to borrow money for current expenses before taxes are collected. The suit against the Berkeley county officials will be heard December 2.

### THREE KILLED.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 26.—Three men were killed and several injured in a head-on collision between a Kansas City Southern passenger train and a switch engine here today.

## Headquarters of the Republican State Committee of West Virginia



THIS is a picture of Oak hall, an office building in Clarksburg, owned by Judge Nathan Goff. From here the Republican state campaign in West Virginia is being conducted under the direction of State Chairman James S. Lakin. The photograph was taken when the building was decorated in honor of the state convention of the Elks. The big sign shown is illuminated at night. The headquarters occupy the entire third floor, on which are twenty large offices. A large force is employed and is at work day and night. Four years ago the Republican party conducted a victorious campaign from these same commodious headquarters, and the expert campaigners in charge attach significance to that fact. It's a "good luck" sign, they say.

## GLOBE TROTTER IS IN COUNTY PRISON

To Await the Action of the Federal Grand Jury on a White Slave Charge.

Among the six prisoners brought to jail here this week from Ohio county to answer charges of white slavery at the October term of the federal court here is a globe trotter. His name is Julius Rath and he has credentials from numerous cities and towns throughout the world showing that he has been around the globe several times.

Rath was a newsboy in St. Louis and ten years ago at the age of 14 years he started out to travel 500,000 miles and by the time of the opening of the Panama exposition at San Francisco, Calif., January 1, 1915. So far he has traveled 480,000 miles and has 20,000 to go before the opening date. Should he complete the 500,000 by the time named, he will receive \$30,000 in cash from a St. Louis club.

The first week in September he was in Pittsburgh, where he appears to have drifted into bad company and later he accompanied a girl to Wheeling, where he was picked up by the federal authorities at her instance, when she learned that he was about to resume his globe trotting.

## REBEL LEADER

Surrenders and He is to Be Taken to Panama and Exiled.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 26.—General Mena, leader of Nicaraguan revolutionists, is to be sent to Panama under a guard of American marines and sailors. Minister Weitzel reported to the state department today that Rear Admiral Southerland had accepted Mena's surrender and that of 700 followers at midnight September 24. His capture is taken to indicate the collapse of the revolution and his removal to Panama probably means exile.

### VERY PRETTY SIGN.

The old sign in front of the Lockwood store on Main street was taken down Thursday and a very pretty new sign now hangs there.

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TABLET TO BUTT.  
NASHVILLE, Sept. 26.—A bronze tablet to commemorate the noble life and heroic death of Major Archibald Willingham Butt, U. S. A., was unveiled in the All Saints' chapel of the University of the South today, the forty-sixth anniversary of Major Butt's birth.  
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CHILDREN COLLECT.  
The children and members of the Union Heights Sunday school, though very few in number, banded themselves together and collected \$5 in money for the new Salvation Army building here and sent it by F. H. Mace, their messenger. The army has voted its thanks for the thoughtful donation.  
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FEDERAL CONTROL.  
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 26.—Col. Roosevelt today advocated federal control of levees, moving the Panama canal plant to the Mississippi valley and the construction of floor reservoirs, before the Interstate Levee convention.  
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MORGAN INVITED.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 26.—J. P. Morgan was invited by telegraph today to testify before the Senate committee investigating campaign funds September 30. William Loeb, Jr., will be heard after Roosevelt October 4.  
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REBELS WIPED OUT.  
MEXICO CITY, Sept. 26.—Trapped on the bank of a canon seventy rebels were wiped out by federals yesterday at On-Zaba.  
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ATTACK TRAIN.  
LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 26.—One hundred striking miners armed late yesterday attacked a train at the Rose Run iron mine and fired on guards, but no one was hurt.  
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TYPHOON KILLS.  
TOKIO, Sept. 26.—Twenty-six million dollars' damage was done, hundreds of lives lost and thousands are homeless by a typhoon Sunday, the worst in half a century.  
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CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.  
CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—December wheat closed \$8 1-2, corn 72 7-8, oats 32 3-4.  
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## TUCKERS PETITION NOW WITHDRAWN

Will Not Insist on Habeas Corpus Proceedings at This Time.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 26.—The petition for a writ of habeas corpus, an alternative writ for which was awarded Tuesday by Judges Robinson and Williams, of the supreme court of appeals, was withdrawn this morning by former Judge J. M. Sanderson, representing the mine guards.

The suit was filed to test the constitutionality of the proclamation declaring martial law and the sentencing of mine guards to a term in the penitentiary by the military commission.

The test case was to have been made on W. Y. Tucker by ordering the warden of the penitentiary to release him.

Judge Sanderson said the right to refile the petition was reserved.

## NEW OIL

Field is Discovered Some Distance from the Blue Creek District.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 26.—Oil men of this city are again in a jubilant mood over the discovery of oil five miles southwest of Charleston, and about twenty miles southwest of the Blue Creek oil fields. The well that has caused the excitement was drilled on the property of the Hon. J. H. Huling and others, and was reached at less than seven hundred feet in the Cow Run sand. The drilling company has just made arrangements for the drilling of thirty wells on the tract of something over sixteen hundred acres. Other property owners in that section are also contemplating drilling.

### FIVE DEPORTED.

Five drunks faced acting Mayor Will H. Cole at the regular session of police court Thursday morning and all five were released on a promise to leave the town. The five were escorted to the city limits and given instructions to give Clarksburg a wide berth in the future or they would get thirty days.

## CONFERENCE IS IN FULL BLAST

### MRS. KNISLEY

Dies at Lost Creek and Funeral Will Be Held in Rockford Church.

Mrs. Alice V. Knisley, wife of Thomas J. Knisley, of Lost Creek, died at their home at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday night of a complication of diseases. She had been in poor health several years.

Funeral services will be held in the Rockford Methodist Protestant church Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. They will be conducted by the Rev. D. G. Helmick, of Weston, and the Rev. B. B. Stout, of Bridgeport. She was a member of that church for many years and at the time of her death. The burial will be at the church cemetery.

Mrs. Knisley was a daughter of the late Noah Stout, and a member of one of the prominent families of the county. Her age was 63 years. The husband, one son and one daughter survive. The son is Fred S. Knisley, of the Union National Bank here, and the daughter is Mrs. H. C. Cleavenger, of Lost Creek.

Mrs. Knisley was a highly respected woman and had a large circle of friends who learned of her death with much sadness.

Mrs. Minter Jackson, of Jane Lew, and Mrs. Edward Knisley, of Craigmoor, are sisters of Mrs. Knisley.

### TAKEN TO HOSPITAL.

Mrs. T. W. Marshall, of Jane Lew, was brought to the Kessler Hospital here Wednesday evening, where she will undergo a serious surgical operation in a few days. Her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

United Brethren Ministers and Laymen in Session at Weston.

### ATTENDANCE IS BIG

And the Business of the Conference is Proceeding Smoothly.

WESTON, Sept. 26.—The fifth session of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ, convened in the spacious church of the local congregation at 9 a. m. Wednesday. Bishop Thomas C. Oather, D. D., of Chattanooga, Tenn., addressed the conference on the greatness of West Virginia wealth and the important part she has taken in the building of the nation.

The afternoon session was devoted to organization. The following committees were appointed:

Devotion—J. T. Foster, of Charleston; T. M. Delany, of Charleston; W. R. Cunningham, of Stead.

Conference relation—H. E. Bass, of P. Allender and D. H. Priddy.

Elders' orders—J. F. Pridemore.

Fred Slaughter and T. D. S. Ows.

Auditing Accounts—W. E. Spill.

O. Stoneking and O. B. Chalmers.

Boundaries and Finance—W. D. Cunningham, C. H. Cox, J. T. Foster, E. H. Waters, H. D. Burkhart, G. W. Burdette, C. D. Ennis, J. T. Crist and T. M. Dixon.

A special committee of five was appointed to provide a finance plan for the conference. G. S. Hamilton, J. A. Seaman, H. R. Bass, J. J. Shore and C. W. Turner.

Evening Session.

The Hon. Robert H. Blair, city attorney, delivered a forcible address welcoming the conference to Weston and the hospitality of its people, which was responded to by Bishop Carter.

The reports of the pastors of the show a large increase over last year along all lines.

Among those in attendance upon the conference are the Hon. J. A. Seaman, of Charleston, ex-speaker of the House of Delegates; the Rev. R. Wood, of Parkersburg; the Rev. Dr. Barger, of Hagerstown, Md.; Messrs. Wright and Kelley, of Elkins; E. A. Ward and the Hon. Ernest Phillips, of Buckhannon; and T. Crist, of Mannington.

Thursday Morning.

Conference convened at 9 o'clock. Bishop Carter addressed the conference and a large class of applicants for the ministry on the importance of an educated ministry. The address was spoken very highly of by the leading ministers and laymen, and abounded in wit and was among one of the ablest addresses ever delivered here. The remaining hour of the morning session was devoted in hearing pastors' reports.

## JACKSON

And Holt-Address An Amendment Rally Down at Bridgeport.

BRIDGEPORT, Sept. 26.—The amendment rally in the Knights of Pythias hall Wednesday evening was well attended and much interest was manifested by the citizens of the town and surrounding country.

Goodloe Jackson, candidate for governor on the Prohibition ticket, made an interesting talk, and Howard Holt, of Moundsville, candidate for attorney general, delivered an able address.

### BELL MOVES TO NEW HOME.

The Bell Telephone Company will move from its old headquarters in the Oak Hall building to its new home on West Main street Saturday night. All the offices have been moved for some time, but the switchboards are located in the old place yet.

### BACK AT BEVERLY.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 26.—President Taft arrived here this morning from Altoona, Pa., his train being two hours late. He proceeded at once to Beverly. He was accompanied by Chairman Hill, chairman of the Republican national committee.